

THE WILBRAHAM PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

2015 BLANDFORD 5-WEEK

SKI & RIDE PROGRAM

JANUARY 9 – FEBRUARY 6



Wilbraham Middle School

REGISTRATION PACKET

REGISTRATION: NOVEMBER 18 – DECEMBER 5 (or until bus fills)

SPACE IS LIMITED – FILLED ON FIRST COME BASIS

NOTE: To run the program this year we will need five responsible adults to chaperone and a minimum of 25 participants. Please call the WPRD if interested in chaperoning (ski skills are optional).

1. Be sure to read all the registration information carefully and sign all the necessary documents. **Registration packets will not be accepted at the WPRD without payment and all the necessary forms completed and signed.** (A list of required forms appears below.)
2. Take this packet home and read it thoroughly. Complete all the forms and secure the appropriate information and signatures. **The participant's signature is required.**
3. The completed packet may be returned to the Parks & Recreation Dept. November 18 – December 5 **or until spaces are filled.** Space is limited. Once the bus fills, packets will be accepted on a waiting list only. The waiting list will be utilized if a registered participant drops prior to the start of the program.
4. Registration will be accepted on a first come basis with the **completed** packet. We are not able to “hold a spot” until paperwork is properly completed.

Before registering at the WPRD, please check the following to be sure the registration packet is complete:

- ☐ Check made payable to “The Town of Wilbraham.” (Check or charge accepted. **Cash is not accepted**)
- ☐ Registration Form. (Parent/guardian signature required)
- ☐ Blandford Ski Area Release of Liability. (Parent/guardian signature required)
- ☐ Policies and Procedures sign off (Parent/guardian **and** participant signature required)
- ☐ Information Form (Insurance information and parent/guardian signature required)

2015 POLICIES/PROCEDURES

ELIGIBILITY

Blandford's Five Week Friday Night Ski & Ride Program for 2015 is open to sixth, seventh and eighth grade WMS students only.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Children with needs beyond the scope of the program dynamics must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult. This adult must be responsible for the participant both on and off the slopes. Please contact the Recreation Department in advance if special arrangements are required.

EQUIPMENT

- Parents can drop equipment off at WMS between, 7:00 – 7:30AM in the auditorium. No equipment is allowed on a school bus.
- No student is to be dropped off with equipment before 7:30AM.
- Equipment goes into the WMS Auditorium, back right side. It is required that all students place their name on everything they plan on bringing. The WMS or the WPRD are NOT responsible for any lost or stolen items.
- After school ends, students may go to the auditorium and get equipment and change into proper ski wear. No ski boots are to be worn on the bus.

Helmets are to be worn at all times while skiing/snowboarding. If a child is caught without a helmet, he/she will be warned once; a second infraction will result in his/her pass being suspended for the remainder of the day. Helmets are available for rental at the Blandford Ski-Shop, call to make arrangements -413-848-2860

SKI RENTAL PACKETS - Pre-Season Fitting: NOTE CHANGES!

If you have purchased a rental package with your registration, **please arrange a pre-season fitting with Competitive Edge by calling 413-538-7662.** The Competitive Edge will deliver the pre-fitted skis to the Blandford Ski rental office. This allows students to go right to the ski rental office on the mountain to pick up their pre-adjusted rentals for that evening. Competitive Edge does not rent the required helmets but they are available for purchase. Helmets may be rented from the Blandford Ski Shop, call to make arrangements - 413-848-2860.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURE

Children should be ready at the WMS between 2:15PM – 2:30PM. The bus will depart for the Blandford Ski Area at exactly 2:30PM. No exceptions will be made. Parents must pick their child/children up between 10:00PM – 10:15PM at WMS. No child will be released to anyone other than the appointed parent unless a list of other acceptable people is given to a supervisor prior to the bus leaving WMS. Do not send anyone not on this list to pick up your child. Please be on time when picking up your child/children. Be considerate of our chaperones, they have just spent seven fun, but very exhausting hours with approximately fifty children and would like to go home. We will not leave a child unsupervised. If you are more than ten minutes late in picking your child up, your home phone number will be called, then your emergency phone number. If we are unable to reach you and/or your emergency contacts, the Wilbraham Police Department will be called.

LESSONS: Lessons are required and geared to different ability levels. Each program evening, there will be two possible instruction times: Session I for lessons is 5:00-6:00PM. Session II for lessons is 6:00-7:00PM. Anyone renting equipment should arrive at the area at least 45 minutes before the appropriate session time in order to obtain his/her skis or snowboard. Students should report to the lesson area, with their equipment 15 minutes prior to the lesson time. Lesson times may not be changed.

BEHAVIORAL POLICY

The Wilbraham Parks & Recreation Dept. (WPRD) has adopted a zero tolerance policy for this program. It is a privilege for the participants to partake in this event; any behavior deemed detrimental to the program by a supervisor and/or ski instructor will result in the student being immediately dismissed from the program. If your child is dismissed from the program NO REFUND WILL BE GIVEN! No staff member, child, or Blandford patron shall be subjected to verbal or physical abuse by a child enrolled in this Program. This includes, but is not limited to, humiliation, foul or abusive language or ridicule.

If your child "skips" his/her lesson, your child will not be allowed to attend the program the following week. A second offense will result in your child being removed from the program. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED.

If at anytime Blandford personnel or a supervisor feels your child is skiing/boarding in a reckless or unsafe manner, we will pull your child's ticket for the remainder of the day. Your child will also not be allowed to attend the program the following week. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED.

The primary goal of discipline is to ensure the safety of the group and remain in good standing not only with Blandford, but also the bus company. Behavior determined to be detrimental to the program is at the discretion of the supervisors. Due to the nature of the program, students will not have the benefit of a "second chance." Since parents will not be immediately available to discuss the behavioral issues, once determined by the supervisors, discipline decisions are final. If a participant is dismissed from the program, A REFUND WILL NOT BE GRANTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.

CHECK IN POLICY

In order to ensure the safety of all participants, the Ski & Ride Program will require participants to check in hourly with an assigned supervisor. A group of ten students will be assigned to a supervisor, and students are responsible for checking in with that supervisor at these times throughout the day:

2:15 – 2:30PM	Check in at WMS.
3:45 – 4:00PM	Check in at Blandford.
5:50PM	Check in at lodge.
7:10PM	Check in half way through open ski at lodge.
8:00PM	Check in at the end of open ski at lodge.
9:00PM	Check in prior to bus departing Blandford
10:00 – 10:15PM	Check out with student and parent/guardian at WMS.

If a student purposely disregards a check in with their appropriate supervisor at the given time, he/she will be treated as missing and located by ski patrol. He/she will not be allowed to participate for the rest of the evening. They will spend the remaining time in the lodge with their supervisor, and further discipline may follow if deemed necessary.

REFUND POLICY

- In the event the WPRD cancels the program, you will receive a full refund. Please allow at least 30 business days for a refund check to be processed
- Up to three days before the program begins a refund will be given (minus a \$25.00 administrative fee) only if the seat can be resold. Once the program has started, no refunds will be given under any circumstance.
- If the program is cancelled due to inclement weather or no snow, no refunds will be given. The WPRD will attempt to coordinate a make-up day with the Blandford Ski Area, however transportation will only be provided if a bus is available. If a make-up day cannot be coordinated, no refunds will be given.
- Single absences will not be refunded.
- If a participant is dismissed from the program for disciplinary issues, a refund will not be granted under any circumstance.

MISCELLANEOUS

- If a participant is injured during the Ski & Ride Program and must be transported to a hospital, he/she will be taken to Noble Hospital in Westfield.
- No student is allowed back into the school after 2:30 PM.
- School paraphernalia goes on the Blandford bus with the child; items can be left on the bus during skiing/boarding.
- Food can be purchased at the Ski Lodge, no eating will be allowed on the bus, and no stops will be made along the trip.
- No one is allowed to go home from Blandford by transportation other than the bus, unless written permission from a parent is given to a chaperon **prior to the bus leaving WMS.**
- If the mountain has to close, Blandford will attempt to extend the program another Friday night, however transportation will only be provided if a bus is available.
- If school or after school activities are cancelled then the Ski/Snowboard Program is cancelled regardless of the weather.
- If school is cancelled and mountain is open, Blandford will attempt to extend our skiing another Friday with no lesson. Transportation will only be provided if a bus is available.

Once a student chooses to ski or snowboard and confirms a lesson time HE/SHE CANNOT SWITCH LESSON TIMES AND/OR FROM SKIING TO SNOWBOARDING.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Snow Condition Number for Blandford:	413- 568–4341
Blandford Ski Area:	413 – 848–2860
Blandford Website:	www.skiblandford.org
Supervisor Cell (TBD):	
Parks & Recreation Cancellation Hotline:	596–2402
Parks & Recreation Department:	596–2816
Competitive Edge For Rentals	1-413-538-7662



BLANDFORD'S 5 WEEK SKI & RIDE REGISTRATION FORM
Registration runs November 18- December 5 or until bus fills
Program begins January 9

NAME: _____ D.O.B.: _____ AGE: _____ GR: _____

ADDRESS: _____ MALE / FEMALE
(STREET, CITY, ZIP)

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ We will be sending info. via email,
please check yours daily.

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

PARENT(S) NAMES: _____

1) EMER. NAME/RELATIONSHIP: _____ EMER. PHONE: _____

2) EMER. NAME/RELATIONSHIP: _____ EMER. PHONE: _____

WILL PARENT CHAPERONE? Y N NAME: _____ All Weeks? _____ Some Weeks? _____

PLEASE INDICATE (Cannot be changed once registered): SKIER OR SNOWBOARDER

ABILITY: Level 1 _____ Level 2 _____ Level 3 _____
First Timer Using Wedge, able to stop Able to link turns using wedge

PROGRAM FEES:	_____ Area Ticket & Lesson	\$312.00
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	_____ Lesson Only (Must have Season's Pass)	\$242.00
	_____ Lesson & Rental (Must have Season's Pass)	\$292.00

Charge/checks are accepted- no cash accepted. Make checks payable to: Town of Wilbraham
Payment plans are possible, contact the WPRD by November 28.

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- No refunds will be given for days cancelled due to inclement weather even if make-up days cannot be arranged.
- Single absences will not be refunded.
- If a participant is dismissed from the program for disciplinary issues, a refund will not be granted under any circumstance.
- Lesson time and/or program (ski or snowboard) may not be changed for any reason.

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PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

WILBRAHAM PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT WAIVER

I, the undersigned parent and/or guardian of _____, a minor, on the date of _____, do hereby consent to my child's participation in voluntary recreational programs of the Town of Wilbraham. I agree not to sue and also agree to forever release the Town of Wilbraham, and the H.W. School District their servants, officers, officials, employees, agents and ("the releasees") assisting or participating in voluntary recreational programs of the Town of Wilbraham from any and all claims, rights of action and causes of action that may arise in the past, or may arise in the future, directly or indirectly, from personal injuries to my child or property damage resulting from my child's participation in the Town of Wilbraham voluntary recreational programs.

I also promise, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the releasees against any and all legal claims and proceedings of any description that may have been asserted in the past, or may be asserted in the future, directly or indirectly, arising from personal injuries to my child or property damage resulting from my child's participation in the Town of Wilbraham voluntary recreational programs.

I further affirm that I have read this Consent and Release Form and that I understand the contents of this form. I understand that my child's participation in these programs is voluntary and that my child and I are free to choose not to participate in said programs. By signing this form, I affirm that I have decided to allow my child to participate in the Town of Wilbraham's athletic recreational programs with full knowledge that the releasees will not be liable to anyone for personal injuries and property damage my child or I may suffer in voluntary Town of Wilbraham recreational programs.

BLANDFORD WAIVER

The Blandford Ski Area is not liable for damage or theft of equipment. Please bring own means of securing equipment when not in use. If problems arise, contact Blandford Ski Area management. Leaders are responsible for their group. Please leave the area as you found it.

I have read, understand and agree to all of the above information:

X _____	_____	_____	_____
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN	RELATIONSHIP	DATE	AMT. PD.

PARENTS-----Please read and sign- Refund Policy & Release of Liability Form**2014-2015**

I understand that Skiing and Snowboard skiing are hazardous activities, and I accept and clearly understand that there are inherent and other risks involved in the sport of skiing for which this pass is to be used. Those risks include, but are not limited to skier collision with padded and unpadded objects including natural and man-made objects or other skiers, varying terrain, weather conditions, ice, maintenance vehicles and many other hazards. I also understand that increased speed means increased danger and risk of injury. As a condition of being permitted to use the ski area premises, I freely accept and voluntarily ASSUME ALL THE RISKS of any injury or property damage, COVENANTS NOT TO SUE and RELEASE The Springfield Ski Club, Inc., its Board of Directors, employees and agents from any and all liability for personal injury or property damage resulting from negligence, conditions of the premises, operations of the ski area, actions or omissions employees or agents of the ski area or from my participation in skiing at the area, accepting myself the full responsibility for any and all such damage or injury of any kind which may result. I further agree to HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the above named persons or entity from any and all liability for death and/or personal injury, medical or other expense or property damage to myself or others resulting in any way from my use of the ski area premises. I further agree that (1) any claim, which I may at any time bring for any reason against The Springfield Ski Club, Inc., its Board of Directors, employees and agents, shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State of Federal Courts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and that no claims or actions shall be brought in any other jurisdiction; and (2) any claim shall be governed by the law of Massachusetts.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT, COVENANT NOT TO SUE AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY BETWEEN MYSELF AND THE SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB, INC., FULLY UNDERSTAND IT'S CONTENT AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. (If under the age of 18, must be signed by legal guardian).

PRINT NAME_____

SIGNATURE_____ date_____

If minors under age 18 are listed on this application, please complete the following:

By signing this AGREEMENT, COVENANT NOT TO SUE AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY as Parent/Guardian of, I am consenting to his/her skiing and/or snowboard skiing on the premises of The Springfield Ski Club's Blandford Ski Area and I acknowledge and understand that any and all risk, whether known or unknown, is expressly assumed by me and all claims, whether known or unknown, are expressly waived in advance. Further, I acknowledge and understand the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Covenant Not to Sue and Release of Liability as noted herein and agree to be bound by those terms and conditions.

SIGNATURE_____ date_____

Name of Group/School_____

Name of Participant:_____

Parent/Guardian Name:_____

Address:_____ Phone:_____

City/Town:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____

Email:_____

SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB SKI & RIDE PROGRAM

WILBRAHAM PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
45C POST OFFICE PARK
WILBRAHAM, MA 01095
413 – 596-2816

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Please sign that you have read our Refund Policy.

X: _____

Name of Child: _____

I, _____ have read and understand all the policies and procedures outlined in the registration packet concerning my child partaking in the Ski & Ride Program.

I agree to have my child/ward, _____, abide by these rules and regulations. I will have my child/ward read the above information so that there are no misunderstandings as to what is expected of him/her.

X _____
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE DATE

X _____
PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE (Required) DATE

BLANDFORD'S SKI & RIDE PROGRAM PARTICIPANT INFORMATION FORM

Please complete this form and return (along with registration form) to the Wilbraham Parks & Recreation Department. This information will be used only in the interest of your daughter/son and will help make your participant's experience positive. This information will only be shared with the trip supervisors and program staff.

Participant's Name _____ Grade _____

Age: _____ Weight: _____ Height: _____

List of names of other people you will allow us to release your child/children to: **(CHILD WILL NOT BE RELEASED TO ANYONE BUT REGISTERED PARENT UNLESS HIS/HER NAME APPEARS HERE):**

Name: _____ Contact #: _____

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Is there anything the staff should know in regard to his/her medical history (allergies and/or medications), or any issues you feel the staff should be aware of?

Any additional information regarding special needs? (Please see the Special Needs section in the registration packet)

In the event medical treatment is deemed necessary, I understand that every effort will be made to contact a parent/guardian. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the medical personnel to treat and/or transport and/or a physician to administer any and all medical treatment my child may require.

Policy Holder's Name	Insurance Company	Policy Number
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X _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
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Information provided by: _____

Relation to participant: _____